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SUBJECT: VIET NAM DIPLOMATS ASYLUM REQUEST

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L. REVIEW OF REFTELS REVEALS THAT FOLLOWING CAN AND SHOULD PURSUE NORMAL IMMIGRATION THROUGH US RELATIVES: (A) DAO NGUYEN LANG; (B) TRAN VAN LAM; (F) BUU HAO; (J) HUONG BACH TUNG;

2. FOLLOWING PERSONS APPEAR TO HAVE CLOSER TIES TO JAPAN THAN US AND SHOULD SEEK ASYLUM FROM GOJ: (I) NGUYEN TRUNG CHI; (K) NGUYEN DAI CA; AND (D) UNDER FRENCH LIST.

3. WE CANNOT AT PRESENT AUTHORIZE ASYLUM UNDER PAROLE
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PROCEDURES FOR ANY OF THOSE LISTED. REF (F) OUTLINES US

POLICY WITH RESPECT TO SUCH APPLICATIONS. WE ARE UNDER CLEAR CONGRESSIONAL INSTRUCTION TO INTERNATIONALIZE RESETTLEMENT EFFORTS. SEPTTEL CIRCULAR TODAY REINFORCES EARLIER GUIDANCE.

4. IN FUTURE WE MAY BE ABLE ENTERTAIN ASYLUM REQUESTS IF THERE IS CLEAR EVIDENCE OF FAILURE OF ALL OTHER ALTERNATIVES.

SUGGEST VIETNAMESE IN JAPAN APPROACH THIRD COUNTRIES AS WELL AS ICRC AND UNHCR. LATTER ORGANIZATION APPEARS TO BE MORE RESPONSIVE IF REQUEST COMES THROUGH HOST GOVERNMENT. YOU MAY WISH SUGGEST TO GOJ THEY APPROACH UNHCR ON BEHALF DIPLOMATS AND STUDENTS AS WELL.

5. YOU MAY ALSO WISH TO SUGGEST THAT AMERICAN SPONSORS ATTEMPT TO LOCATE EMPLOYMENT WHICH MIGHT QUALIFY INDIVIDUALS FOR NORMAL IMMIGRATION STATUS,

6. HAVE TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION TOKYO 6181 AND REGRET NO IMMEDIATE ASSURANCES OF RELIEF ARE POSSIBLE AT THIS TIME. WILL KEEP YOU INFORMED, BUT FOR PRESENT SUGGEST YOU URGE DIPLOMATS TO PURSUE ALL POSSIBLE OTHER ALTERNATIVES. KISSINGER

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